

HOUSE BILL 1529

By Shaw

AN ACT to amend Chapter 101 of the Private Acts of 1993; as amended by Chapter 31 of the Private Acts of 1995; Chapter 5 of the Private Acts of 1995; Chapter 10 of the Private Acts of 2001; Chapter 53 of the Private Acts of 2012; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the charter of the City of Jackson.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Section 3 of Chapter 101 of the Private Acts of 1993, as amended by Chapter 5 of the Private Acts of 1995, Chapter 31 of the Private Acts of 1995, Chapter 53 of the Private Acts of 2012, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting the language "by a vote of seventy-five percent (75%) or more of the non-vacant council positions" and substituting instead the language "by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of those who are present and voting".

SECTION 2. Section 4 of Chapter 101 of the Private Acts of 1993, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting the section and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 4. Any person desiring to become a candidate for the office of city judge shall qualify as provided by the general election laws of the State of Tennessee.

In order to be eligible to run for mayor or the city council for the City of Jackson, Tennessee, the candidate must be legally eligible to vote in Madison County, Tennessee.

Candidates for mayor of the City of Jackson, Tennessee must have resided within the City of Jackson, Tennessee for one (1) year prior to the election and must be at least thirty (30) years of age on the Election Day.

Candidates for city council must have resided within the district they seek to represent for at least one (1) year prior to the Election Day and must be at least eighteen (18) years of age on the Election Day.

SECTION 3. Section 9 of Chapter 101 of the Private Acts of 1993, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting the section and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 9. The City shall procure for the mayor and city treasurer a "blanket" fidelity bond in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) for the faithful performance of their duties.

SECTION 4. Section 26 of Chapter 101 of the Private Acts of 1993, as amended by Chapter 53 of the Private Acts of 2012, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting the section and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 26. The style or introductory clause of all ordinances shall be as follows: "Be it ordained by the council of the City of Jackson."

Every ordinance and resolution shall be introduced in open meeting of the council and filed with the city recorder, whose duty it shall be to record the same in a book kept for that purpose, together with the signatures of the mayor, and the original shall be filed in the archives of the office of the city recorder.

A resolution may be acted upon at the same meeting at which it is introduced and need not be published. An ordinance shall not be adopted at the same meeting at which the ordinance is introduced before the council. A synopsis of an ordinance, sufficient to reasonably inform the public as to the content thereof, must be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the City of Jackson if required by state law. Ordinances that are not required to be published in a newspaper of general circulation with the City of Jackson by state law must be published in a timely manner on the City of Jackson's official website.

SECTION 5. Section 61 of Chapter 101 of the Private Acts of 1993, as amended by Chapter 10 of the Private Acts of 2001, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting the section and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 61. All taxes levied by said municipality are due on October 1st and payable no later than December 31st of each year for which the taxes are assessed or levied, and shall bear penalty and interest at a rate set forth by ordinance, on January 1st and thereafter.

The municipality may accept payment any time after it has loaded the tax base approved by and received from the Madison County Assessor's Office.

SECTION 6. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of the City of Jackson. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the legislative body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 7. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 6.